

## SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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## SALEM POLICE MAKE SECOND ARREST IN WEEKEND GUN SHOW INCIDENT

After further investigation, the Salem Police Department has made a second arrest in relation to the incident that occurred at the *Salem Gun Show* at the Salem Civic Center on Saturday, July 18, 2009, in which a weapon was accidentally discharged.

Earlier today, Salem detectives charged David Jack Gold, age 74, of Bland, Virginia with recklessly handling a firearm and obstructing a law enforcement officer in the performance of duty (Obstruction of Justice). Both are class one misdemeanors.

Gold was processed and taken before a magistrate, where he was released on his own recognizance pending trial. Gold is the owner of the weapon in question that discharged during at the Gun Show on Saturday afternoon injuring Thomas Raymond Allen.

The 52-year-old Allen, from Max Meadows, was charged on Monday with recklessly handling a firearm. Both men are scheduled to appear for arraignment in Salem General District Court on July 24<sup>th</sup>.

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